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REMARKS

Status

Upon entry of the amendments, Claims 1-10 and 24-43 will be pending in this application. Claims 1-2 have been amended to remove the definitions of R⁶ and R^{6a} which are no longer present. It is submitted that the instant amendments pertain to matters of form that do not affect the scope of the allowed subject matter.

Discussion

Entry of amended claims 1-2 is respectfully requested. The amendments to these claims is needed (a) for proper disclosure and protection of the present invention (i.e., to correct an obvious error) and (b) will require no substantial amount of additional work on the part of the USPTO. The amendments were not presented earlier because the errors were not noticed until after the Notice of Allowance was received.

In view of the foregoing, Applicants submit that the amendment should be entered under 37 CFR 1.312. Early notification of such action is earnestly solicited. If the Examiner has any questions, a telephone call to the undersigned is invited.

Respectfully submitted,

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